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1. The KVP Bereitschaft Rostock was subordinate to TV 5000 Schwerin and headed by Colonel Bleck. It was quartered in the former Panzer Kaserne at 1. Kopernikus Strasse and, at the time of observation, numbered about 300 officers and 1,100 EM who were organized into headquarters, motor vehicle company with driver course, Bereitschaft Schule with NCO course, S-1 Company, S-2 Company, S-3 Company, S-5 Company, first through third infantry regiment, and the Selbstaendige B-Abteilung. The third infantry regiment had the following organization:

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>EM</u>
Headquarters	15	4
NCO course	2	19
Motor vehicle platoon	2	8
I Bn	38	170
II and III Bn, each	38	70

The I Bn of the third infantry regiment had the following organization:

Headquarters	8	5
Supply platoon	1	12
Heavy machine gun platoon	3	18
S-1 platoon	1	7
S-2 platoon	2	6
S-3 platoon	1	9

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S-4 AT platoon	3	17
B-6 medium mortar platoon	4	24
First through third rifle		
companies, each	5	24

2. Officers of the Bereitschaft included Lieutenant Colonel Wildner (fnu) as Kommandeur of the Bereitschaft, Lieutenant Colonel Schaefer (fnu) as deputy, Major Wicke (fnu) as deputy supply officer, Captain Marx (fnu) as deputy commander, Major Fraundorf (fnu) as chief of staff, Captain Rost (fnu) as commanding officer of the second infantry regiment, and Captain Nebert (fnu) as commanding officer of the third infantry regiment. Only one Soviet advisor was detached to KVP Bereitschaft Rostock. He held the rank of colonel and exclusively wore KVP uniform.

3. The Bereitschaft was equipped with 130 H-3-A trucks [redacted] 10 BMW sedans, 2 Phaenomen jeeps, 2 H-3-A ambulances, 2 tank trucks with trailers, 4 five-ton trailers, 3 large H-3-A workshop trucks, 1 small workshop truck, 20 BMW motorcycles, 3 Awo motorcycles, and 1 Java motorcycle. The motor vehicles were supplied directly by the individual plants [redacted]

4. The EM included 40 percent of the 1935 class, 40 of the 1934 class, 10 of the 1933 class and 10 of the 1932 and older classes. Twenty percent came from the recruiting district of Saxony, 35 from Saxony-Anhalt, 10 from Thuringia, 25 from Mecklenburg and 15 from Brandenburg. Sixty-five percent were releable Communists while 35 percent were against the regime.

5. The unit was alerted at about 10 p.m. on 17 June. Sixty soldiers were loaded onto three trucks and brought to Warnemuende. Fire command was given by Lieutenant Colonel Wildner on 18 June 1953. No changes with regard to training activity, structure and political indoctrination were made prior to 15 July 1953.

[redacted] Comment. The information confirms previous reports on the infantry unit in Rostock. See [redacted] information of early August, although contradictory, tends to indicate that reorganizations may have occurred in the meantime.

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